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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR 1.116

Sir:

This is an amendment under 37 CFR §1.116 to the Final Office Action dated February 10, 2006, issued in the above-identified application, wherein Applicant respectfully requests that the following amendments, which present rejected claims in better form for consideration on appeal, be entered pursuant to the provisions of 37 CFR §1.116 and that the application be reconsidered in light of the accompanying remarks.

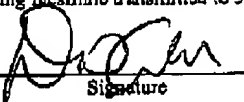
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